

LOCAL MENTION.

5-Burner Chief Gas Range. With water back. Put up complete for \$25.00. A. Eberly's Sons, 718 7th n.w.

Nat'l Inverted Light.
Best Gas Burner you can buy.
Get booklet. See our demonstration.
Brilliant, soft light.
1204 G st. C. A. Addiman, 616 12th st.

Melons. Mrs. John Lyons, seventy years of age, of 2819 Q street, was thrown to the pavement and slightly injured while attempting to board a street car near 12th and F streets yesterday afternoon. She was able to board the car afterward and go home.

Melons. 7,000 improved Kolt Gem Watermelons just arrived at 11th st. wharf consigned to J. R. Faunce.

C. A. Muddiman & Co.
Handsome Electric and Gas Drop Lights,
Art Glass Globe Chandeliers,
1204 G st. Lamps, 616 12th st.

CITY AND DISTRICT.

Thefts From Vacant Houses.
Report was made to the police last night that vacant house 1535 12th street had been entered and the copper lining of the bath tub taken. It is one of several cases of depredation reported to the police the past week. Policeman Lanahan of the sixth precinct yesterday arrested a young colored man named William Ware because he found him with gas fixtures in his possession.
"The odor of the gas was still about the fixtures," one of the policemen at the station said last night, "but the prisoner denies that he took them from a house."
Ware is being held on suspicion, and the gas fixtures are at the police station awaiting a claimant. The prisoner told the police he resides in the Congressional Library.

Visit Great Hagerstown Fair.
All trains, Baltimore and Ohio, from Washington, October 14 to 18, \$3.10 round trip. Special trains on October 16 and 17 at 8:30 a.m., \$2.30 round trip for the day only.

Verein Baden Elects Officers.

The election of officers of the Verein Baden was held at its hall, 827 7th street northwest, Tuesday, with the following result: President, Louis Schreff; vice president, Stephan Frank; secretary, Allos Reinhardt; treasurer, Karl Lichtenfels; finance committee, Edgar W. Weller, Wilhelm Frank, Heinrich, trustees, John B. Geier, Philip Dittes, Karl Achstetter; banner committee, Joseph Frank and Karl Young; delegates to United German Congress, Stephan Frank, Fred Derndinger and Karl Lichtenfels. The hall was handsomely decorated with palms and flowers on the occasion. Later in the evening a buffet luncheon was served by Mr. August Reinhardt. Informal speakers present spoke of the welfare of the association.

Beautiful Palms at 25¢ Off
during Blackstone's annual sale, 14th & H.—Advt.

Colored Y. M. C. A. Meeting.

Announcement is made that J. E. Moreland, one of the international secretaries connected with the colored department of the Y. M. C. A. will address the colored men's branch at the hall of the True Reformers, corner 12th and E streets, Tuesday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. He has been inspecting the field with a view of establishing several more Y. M. C. A. buildings in the colored districts of the city. The population is sufficient to warrant the same. The male chorus of 150 voices was one of the enjoyable features of last Sunday's meeting, and Mr. Washington says he hopes to increase the number to 200 at the next meeting.

Anacostia and Vicinity.

Dr. William A. White, superintendent of the Government Hospital for the Insane, has returned after an absence of six weeks on a European tour. He visited England and the continent and examined the institutions for the insane at Westminster, Florence, Padua, Rome and Naples.

John J. Downey, who had been traveling in Ireland and England, reached his home, 264 Jackson street, last evening.

Miss Mary McNamara has returned home to visit to relatives in Ireland. She was a visitor at the home of the late Mrs. Martha Spencer, formerly a teacher in the State Normal School at Emporia, Kan., who is now a Presbyterian missionary in West Virginia.

Miss Martha Spencer, formerly a teacher in the State Normal School at Emporia, Kan., who is now a Presbyterian missionary in West Virginia, was returned to her field of labor following a visit to Mrs. M. E. Blaster, 22 Washington street.

Miss Cora Bancroft of Worcester, Mass., is visiting Mr. and Benjamin M. Muddiman, 424 Jackson street.

The officers of the Anacostia Baptist Church have arranged to install Rev. James H. Edwards as pastor of the church Tuesday evening next.

It has been definitely decided that the proposed amusement hall at the Government Hospital for the Insane, with an appropriation of \$75,000 was made by Congress, will not be undertaken until Congress has been again communicated with regarding the subject.

Citizens of Anacostia have decided to take the initiative as to providing a building in which post office business may be transacted.

Child Attacked by Dog.
Joe Shattro, two years old, whose parents reside at 1414 North Capitol street, was attacked by a dog yesterday afternoon on the sidewalk near his parents' home. He was bitten on his wrist. The dog was captured and sent to the pound to be asphyxiated. Its carcass will then be turned over to the health department. Upon the result of the autopsy, which depends upon the treatment to which the child will be subjected.

New Rural Delivery Route.

Rural delivery route No. 5 from the Washington post office went into operation October 1. The route is as follows: From Congress Heights station to bridge at District line near the Fowler place to corner near St. Barnabas Church; to Clem Brooks's place; back to Temple road; southeast to Temple cross-roads; to Oxenhill cross-roads; to village, then back to Halfway House corner; to Nash corner; to New's place corner; to Broad run bridge; to asylum farm corner; to Halfway House corner; to Congress Heights station. The distance covered by the route is two and four miles, and 160 families are served.

Cool and Fair Weather.

A new long-range weather forecast in this city makes the announcement that "the blithering blazes of summer heat are now a thing of the past until the summer solstice of 1908."

Henry of the weather bureau made a short-range prediction last night. It was that cool and fair weather will prevail here today. The recent rainstorm from the west has disappeared off the north seacoast.

For Eight-Hour Day.
Officers of the local Bookbinders' Union state that the international movement of the Brotherhood of Bookbinders for the eight-hour workday was inaugurated last Monday. The situation in Washington was attacked by a strike, as was the case in many cities, and in a few days the difference alleged to exist between the women bindery workers and the employers, it is expected, will be satisfactorily adjusted.

Several strikes, however, are in progress in the following cities: Chicago, Minneapolis, Columbus, Detroit, New York, Boston, St. Louis and Louisville.

COSTLY COPING DAMAGED

TWO THOUSAND DOLLAR LOSS IN VICINITY OF CAPITOL.

Fire Destroys Frame Structure in Which Oil Was Stored—Workman Injured.

The fire engines hurrying along the streets yesterday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock and a volume of dense black smoke, which arose in the vicinity of the Capitol, caused many to believe that a disastrous conflagration was in progress. There was a blaze, but of large proportions, though it caused the total destruction of the building in which it originated—a small frame structure in the Capitol grounds that was used as a tool shed, and also damaged some costly marble work. R. H. Sweeney was in the building when the fire started, and it was with considerable difficulty that he managed to get out of the burning structure.

Watchman Sweeney was in the frame structure getting the lamps ready for the night. He had filled a number of them, and was making good progress with his work when one of them exploded, singeing his beard, hair and eyebrows, and lighting the oil in a number of lamps in the building. The blaze alarmed the men working in the building, and they hurried to the new House of Representatives building, and some of them hurried to a safe distance, who were working about the grounds going to the assistance of the watchman.

"I hardly know how I managed to get out of the burning building," said Sweeney. "It seemed to me that I could not find the door, but I finally managed it."

Location of the Building.

The structure in which the fire occurred was erected a short distance south of the southeast corner of the Capitol building, and a large number of lamps and a quantity of oil were stored in it. Just outside the structure was a large pot in which tar was being melted. Smoke from the pot assisting in increasing the volume of smoke, forming a dense cloud which could be seen from all sections of the city. The fire broke out from the fifth floor, and the firemen from the fifth floor responded when the alarm was sounded. They had as much as they could do to keep the fire from spreading. So many lamps were destroyed that the contractors found it a difficult matter to get together lamps enough to protect the building. The building was owned by the R. S. Blome Company, is placed at about \$150. The estimated damage sustained to the building and the contents was \$2,000. A considerable portion of the coping along the pathway from B street to the Capitol will have to be replaced.

SEARCH FOR STOLEN TREASURE.

Boy in Custody for Theft—Claimed to Have Buried Treasure.

Anacostia policemen spent a large part of their time yesterday searching along the river shore for treasure which they had been told had been buried there. Others had received the same tip and the police think some one got ahead of them. The search was made for a stolen watch, the police having been told by a boy under arrest that he had hidden it somewhere on the river bank. In the cellar at the home of the boy the police found \$54 that had been buried in a jar.

The boy who made the admissions was George L. Funder, whose home is at 227 Pierce street, Anacostia, and the owner of the timepiece is William L. Richardson, whose home is not far from the house in which Funder lives. The police started an investigation after the watch had been reported stolen from the house of Mr. Richardson, but the mystery had been solved a second robbery was committed. It being stated that \$56 had been stolen upon the second occasion.

Policeman Coleman Brown of Anacostia started out to make an investigation and his suspicions were soon directed toward Humphrey. The arrest was made and the boy was taken to the police station. He is the greater part of it. His story was that he went to the house of Mr. Richardson and got the money while Carl Shepherd was asleep. The police started an investigation after the watch had been reported stolen from the house of Mr. Richardson, but the mystery had been solved a second robbery was committed. It being stated that \$56 had been stolen upon the second occasion.

"I divided \$10 with Shepherd," Humphrey is alleged to have told the police, "and buried the other money in my cellar." Shepherd was arrested after Humphrey had made his admissions and both were taken to the police station. The boy was to be arraigned before Judge Mulvihill in the Police Court tomorrow and the police will make additional efforts to find the timepiece.

DATES FOR INSPECTION.

General Orders Issued by Department.

Commander, G. A. R.

Commander Newton Ferree of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., has issued general orders, No. 9, giving the dates of the annual inspection of the various posts of this department. The order also states that upon the recommendation of the department inspector, Commander W. W. Elbert, the following posts are hereby appointed assistant inspectors:

Samuel R. Stratton, Post No. 1; Thomas C. Hinton, Post No. 2; Robert A. Post No. 3; Alfred Shaw, Post No. 4; Howard M. Gilman, Post No. 6; John G. Maynard, Post No. 7; A. P. Tasker, Post No. 8; S. W. Bunney, Post No. 9; Thomas H. Jenks, Post No. 14; E. P. Seavy, Post No. 15; Rudolph Ulmer, Post No. 19; E. J. Sweet, Post No. 20; and J. W. Butler, Post No. 21. The inspection of Post No. 2 is appointed an aide-de-camp on the department commander's staff. The dates of the post inspections and the officers who will act as inspectors are given as follows:

Wednesday, October 16, Lincoln, No. 3, by E. J. Sweet; Friday, October 18, Phil Sheridan, No. 1, by E. J. Sweet; Saturday, October 19, Farragut, No. 10, by Rudolph Ulmer; Wednesday, October 23, Henry Wilson, No. 17, by Samuel R. Stratton; Thursday, October 24, by E. J. Sweet; Monday, October 28, Lafayette, No. 20, by A. P. Tasker; Friday, November 1, George H. Thomas, No. 19, by E. J. Sweet; Wednesday, November 3, Charles Sumner, No. 9, by Samuel R. Stratton; Friday, November 8, John A. Rawlins, No. 1, by E. J. Sweet; Monday, November 11, George W. Norris, No. 10, by Howard M. Gilman; Wednesday, November 13, Burnside, No. 8, by E. J. Sweet; Thursday, November 14, Fort Douglass, No. 21, by A. P. Tasker; Friday, November 15, U. S. Grant, No. 6, by Thomas C. Hinton; Wednesday, November 20, A. Garfield, No. 7, by Thomas H. Jenks; Tuesday, November 26, George G. Meade, No. 5, by John G. Maynard; Wednesday, November 27, R. H. Lincoln, No. 1, by E. J. Sweet; Thursday, December 11, John A. Logan, No. 13, by S. W. Bunney.

The temporary Soldiers' and Sailors' Home will be inspected December 7.

PENNNSYLVANIANS MEET.

Society of the Keystone State Spends Hour Socially.

Reminiscences of summer vacations given by several of the members of the Pennsylvania Society took up the greater part of the first fall meeting of that organization, held last evening in Pythian Temple. Col. Samuel R. Stratton, president of the society; Mrs. Chas. Pepper and Mr. A. Y. Casanova were among the speakers. The story of a vacation season spent at Atlantic City was told in humorous fashion by Col. Stratton, after which Mrs. Pepper read a lengthy letter from her husband, who is now spending a brief period in Bogota, Colombia. In the course of the letter Mr. Pepper told of many excursions in the United States and of the particular sociability of the inhabitants.

Col. Casanova announced that the opening of his talk that he wanted to tell his hearers of a vacation spent in Washington. He related the many pleasures which he had enjoyed here in the Capital city during the summer and closed with a short recital of vacations spent during recent years.

Instrumental and vocal solos were given during the course of the evening by Misses Elizabeth Winston, Elizabeth Leckie, Dr. Thomas Jones and Mrs. M. S. Jones. The program was closed by a social hour at the close of the refreshments were served.

DELEGATES SEE THE SIGHTS

FOREIGN MEMBERS OF COTTON CONVENTION GO ABOUT CITY.

Ask All Manner of Questions—Think Manufacturers Should Be Established Here.

By courtesy of the Washington Chamber of Commerce four large sight-seeing automobiles were placed at the disposal of the foreign delegates to the cotton convention Friday, and the visitors from distant climes were whirled about the Capital city. Some of the foreigners are said to have examined the city without a textile special interest in a city of more than 300,000 people, without a textile or cotton factory within its precincts. They also queried members of the Chamber of Commerce as to the cost of labor and other elements which enter into the problem of manufacturing, and wanted to know if such factories could not be established here at a profit.

The seeing Washington trip of the foreign delegates was directed by the executive committee of the chamber last Monday. The delegates were taken to the Capitol grounds that was used as a tool shed, and also damaged some costly marble work. R. H. Sweeney was in the building when the fire started, and it was with considerable difficulty that he managed to get out of the burning structure.

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Should Manufacture Here.

One of the many questions they asked was: "Why would it not be feasible to bring the raw cotton here from the south at low freight rates and manufacture it in the District for the needs of the city and surrounding country?"

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Suburban Citizens Transact Business at Meeting.

An adjourned meeting of the Northeastern Suburban Citizens' Association was held in Langdon Hall last Friday night, President E. A. M. Lawson presiding. The special business was the consideration of the report of a committee appointed to recommend the number of streets for improvement by widening, and to about the limits of the appropriation (\$200,000 estimated) that the District Commissioners would ask for that purpose in the northeastern section.

The report contained the following recommendations: For grading and macadamizing Rhode Island avenue eastward to South Dakota avenue; and also from Rhode Island avenue to South Dakota avenue; Jackson street from 18th street to 20th street; and 20th street from Jackson street to Rhode Island avenue; South Dakota avenue northward to Monroe street; 20th street from South Dakota avenue to Franklin street.

After an interchange of views by Messrs. R. S. Campbell, William Gochenbauer, Joe Moreland, E. A. M. Lawson, C. T. Johnson, E. W. Robbins, Frank Higdon, S. G. Mason, J. L. Knapp and others, the report was adopted and the committee was instructed to present the plan to the District Commissioners. The committee was also instructed to present the plan to the District Commissioners.

Secretary L. H. Patterson made a report relative to a recent conference with Commander General Corley on the gas main extension question, stating that the commissioner is thoroughly in sympathy with the association in the matter. The gas main extension project, which was to extend the gas main from 12th street and Rhode Island avenue eastward on Rhode Island avenue to the intersection of the Brentwood road, along the Rhode Island avenue, thence along Rhode Island avenue eastward to its intersection with the Brentwood road, was to be supplied from Brentwood road and 18th street, by pipe from Rhode Island avenue, the adjoining subdivisions will be supplied as requested.

The secretary read a communication from Mr. J. R. Whelpley, assistant engineer, relative to the status of the northeastern section of the city. The report was referred to the committee on sewers.

Mr. A. L. Teale made an appeal to the officers and members to do all they can to help the city. The election of officers will take place at the next meeting.

BANK CLERKS GIVE SMOKER.

Members of Washington Chapter Entertain Their Friends.

One of the most elaborate social affairs in the history of the Washington Chapter, American Institute of Bank Clerks, was given last evening in the chapter rooms, 1214 F street, in the form of a smoker, attended by several hundred members and invited guests.

Mr. J. R. Whelpley, president of the chapter, presided over the occasion. The program was as follows: Program, E. P. Wilson; ways and means, L. M. Tillman; house, E. E. Herrel; press, E. S. Wolf; membership, A. B. Claxton; literary affairs, John Poole; debate, H. V. Haynes.

Mr. J. M. Rlordon, chairman of the excursion committee, reported that the outing to Marshall Hall Saturday, June 22, resulted in net receipts of \$1,063.09, far above those of last year.

The program rendered included duets by Messrs. Holland and the song "The Old South," a piano solo by Mr. Edward Muth and a solo by James C. Hall, accompanied by Mr. Muth.

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CREATION OF WEALTH

PROCESS FOR UTILIZATION OF WOODS IN THE SOUTH.

Creation of wealth for Georgia and other southern states by perfecting a process for the utilization of woods hitherto regarded as useless is the aim of Capt. D. G. Purse of Savannah, now in this city to confer with officials of the Southern railway, and with Dr. Wiley and other experts of the Department of Agriculture.

Capt. Purse, for many years the active head of the Savannah Board of Trade, has met with success in his experiments in vulcanizing tupelo gum wood and common "old-field" pine, rendering both woods of great tensile strength and resistant to pressure of thousands of pounds, making them superior to the untreated yellow pine.

"The tupelo gum tree," Capt. Purse says, "is so full of water and so catenacious in disposition that it could never be dried to be of any use in structural work, and was even worse than water in the hands of the carpenter. It takes three years to dry so that it can be used, is rendered fit for use by this process in twenty-nine hours."

Are Now Available.

"This tupelo swamp wood and the vast fields of scrub pine, which have hitherto been considered worthless, are thus now made available for use. There are more than 80,000,000,000 feet of this pine in Georgia, and the wealth which may be created by this process can thus be roughly estimated by considering merely this one item. The process is simple, consisting merely in putting the timber in a vacuum cylinder subjected to a high pressure of steam. After the water is drawn off by a vacuum pump the heat is doubled, vulcanizing the wood. The process is now being perfected, and we think it may be halved. Dr. Wiley takes great interest in the discovery; the Southern railway is looking into it, and we view to using wood thus treated for ties and bridge timbers, and we are in correspondence with the branch of the Standard Oil Company about using the white oak staves now used in the barrels of the oil company. The process is now being perfected, and we think it may be halved. 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